

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 11/14/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-32.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
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6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
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9. ☐ Other _____


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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Robert Wu on 1/26/07.

In claim 5, the phrase "An illumination device according to claims 1, 2, and 4" is changed to -- An illumination device according to any of claims 1, 2, or 4--.

In claim 6, the phrase "An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 5" is changed to -- An illumination device as in one of claims 1-4--.

In claim 7, the phrase "An illumination device according to claims 2 and 3" is changed to -- An illumination device according to any of claims 2 or 3 --.

In claim 9, the phrase "An illumination device according to claims 4, 5, and 6" is changed to -- An illumination device according to claim 4 --.

In claim 10, the phrase "An illumination device according to any of claims 1-5" is changed to -- An illumination device as in one of claims 1-4--.

In claim 11, the phrase "An illumination device according to claims 2 and 3" is changed to -- An illumination device according to any of claims 2 or 3 --.

In claim 13, the phrase "An illumination device according to any of claims 2, 4, and 5" is changed to -- An illumination device according to any of claims 2 or 4 --.

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In claim 15, the phrase “An illumination device according to claims 13 and 14” is changed to -- An illumination device according claim 14 --.

In claim 16, the phrase “An illumination device according to claims 13, 14, and 15” is changed to -- An illumination device according to claim 14 --.

In claim 17, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 12” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, or 12 --.

In claim 18, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 5 and 13 to 16” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 14, or 16 --.

In claim 22, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 21” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 23, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 21” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 24, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 23” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 25, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 24” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 26, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 25” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 27, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 25” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 28, the phrase “An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 25” is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

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In claim 29, the phrase "An illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 25" is changed to -- An illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.

In claim 30, the phrase "said illumination device according to any of claims 1 to 29" is changed to -- said illumination device as in any one of claims 1-4, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16, or 21--.


In claim 32, the phrase "An illumination device according to claims 30 and 31" is changed to -- An illumination device according to claim 30 --.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jennifer T. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-7696. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri: 9:00am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Richard Hjerpe can be reached on 571-272-7691. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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